Virginia Emergency Operations Center (VEOC)

Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM)
Virginia Emergency Response Team (VERT)

HURRICANES GUSTAV and IKE SITUATION REPORT # 11 1500 Hours 29 September 2008

New information in bold italic font

SUMMARY

Recovery operations continue in Texas, Louisiana and along the Gulf Coast Region after Hurricane Gustav made landfall on 1 September near Houma, Louisiana and Hurricane Ike made landfall on 13 September near Galveston Texas. Virginia continues to support this effort by deployment of State and local resources through the Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC).

EXECUTIVE ACTION

EOC Activation

Virginia Emergency Operations Center (VEOC) is at Routine Operations and continues to monitor and respond to EMAC requests from states impacted by Hurricanes Gustav and Ike.

Protective Actions

Governor Kaine activated the Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) on Friday, 29 August, directing State agencies and organizations to identify resources that they could deploy to help Gulf Coast states prepare and respond to impacts from Hurricane Gustav. Governor Timothy M. Kaine gave verbal authorization on 10 September to amend Executive Order 75 to include EMAC response for Hurricane Ike. In an effort to increase the supply of gasoline in the Commonwealth of Virginia following the disruption in the normal flow of petroleum products caused by Hurricanes Gustav and Ike, Governor Kaine waived certain specifications that prescribe volatility standards for gasoline. Executive Order # 75; Executive Order #77 (2008); Press Release-Actions to Address Gas Supplies, Price Gouging Complaints

WEATHER

Forecast

Monday, 29 September: Mostly sunny; high temps in the low 70's to low 80's; north-northeast winds 5 to 11 MPH. Monday night: Partly cloudy; low temp's low to mid 50's; west-northwest winds 2 to 5 MPH. Tuesday, 30 September: Mostly cloudy with a 30% chance of rain and afternoon thunderstorms; high temps upper 60's to low 80's; west winds 10 to 15 MPH with gusts up to 20 MPH across Southwest VA with south winds 3 to 10 MPH across the rest of the Commonwealth. Tuesday night: Mostly cloudy; 30% chance of showers and thunderstorms; low temps mid 40's to low 60's; west winds 10 to 15 MPH with gusts up to 20 MPH across Southwest VA with south winds 3 to 7 MPH across the rest of the Commonwealth.

OPERATIONS SECTION

ESF 1 – Transportation

VA Department of Transportation (VDOT)\

VDOT and VA Department of Motor Vehicles issued Waiver of Weight to carriers transporting petroleum fuel products in and through the Commonwealth of Virginia effective 25 September 2008 until midnight 25 October 2008.

ESF 5 – Emergency Management VA Department of Emergency Management (VDEM)

Virginia Emergency Operations Center (VEOC) continues to support EMAC Missions deployed from State Agencies and Local Jurisdictions to the Gulf Coast Region to support recovery efforts. VDEM issued Limited Exemption of Hours Worked for transportation of fuel on 12 September. **VEOC continues to monitor fuel situation**

throughout the Commonwealth and has received no reports from localities regarding fuel related issues.

ESF 10 – Oil & Hazardous Materials Response VA Department of Environmental Quality (VDEQ)

VDEQ request to the US EPA for reformulated gasoline requirements approved effective 12 September through 26 September was extended through 7 October.

ESF 11 – Agriculture and Natural Resources

ESF 12 - Energy

VA Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS)

30 experienced VDACS inspectors are working across the Commonwealth to respond to more than 2,000 calls about possible gas price gouging received by the VDACS Division of Consumer Protection since Virginia felt Hurricane Ike's impact

VA Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy (DMME)

Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy had no reports of widespread fuel supply outages or lines at service stations and continues to monitor the fuel situation in the Commonwealth. Governor Kaine waived certain specifications that prescribe volatility standards for gasoline on 17 September in response to requests for waiver of lower vapor pressure gasoline from DMME and VDEQ.

LOGISTICS SECTION

ESF 4 - Firefighting

Virginia Department of Forestry (VDOF)

The 15 person VDOF Type II Incident Management Team deployed to Texas returned home on 25 September. 4 VDOF personnel deployed to Baton Rouge Louisiana as part of a Federal Urban Assessment Team.

ESF 5 – Emergency Management VA Department of Emergency Management (VDEM)

VDEM Local Support Services deployed VDEM Region 2 Coordinator and VDEM Region 7 Planner to Cameron Parish Louisiana as part of 8 person Incident Management Team.

VDEM Public Assistance deployed 2 persons to Texas State EOC to support Public Assistance operations.

ESF 7 - Resource Support VA Department of Emergency Management (VDEM)

The Logistics Section and VDEM Emergency Management Assistance Compact Coordinator continue to monitor EMAC requests coming from the Gulf States. Statewide broadcasts are being sent out to local jurisdictions and State agencies reference these requests.

PLANNING SECTION

ESF 5 – Situation Unit

Preparing Situation Reports; monitoring WebEOC entries; maintaining situational awareness.

Next Situation Report will be issued on Thursday, 2 October 2008, around 1500 hours

LOCALITIES

Shenandoah County

EMAC Mission – 2 Sheriff's Office personnel and vehicles deployed to Livingston Parish LA on 12 September to support law enforcement; length of deployment 14 days. 2 Sherriff's personnel returned to home base on 29 September.

Prince William County

EMAC Mission – 10 Police Department personnel and vehicles deployed to Livingston Parish LA on 12 September to support law enforcement; length of deployment 14 days. 10 Police Department personnel returned to home base on 29 September.

Fairfax County

EMAC Mission – 2 persons deployed to Cameron Parish Louisiana as part of 8 person Incident Management Team

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EMAC Mission – 15 person Incident Management Team deployed to Galveston Texas on 26 September to assist in operation of Texas State Unified Command Post and Base Camp located on Galveston Island with an expected 14 day deployment with a possible 7 day extension.

City of Alexandria EMAC Mission – 1 EMAC A Team member deployed to FEMA Headquarters on 17

September to support National EMAC Operations at the National Coordination Center. **Deployed EMAC A Team member returned to home base on 26 September.**

City of Fredericksburg EMAC Mission – 2 persons deployed to Cameron Parish Louisiana as part of 8 person

Incident Management Team

Town of Front Royal EMAC Mission – 1 Police Department official deployed to Cameron Parish Louisiana as

part of 8 person Incident Management Team

Caroline County EMAC Mission – 1 person deployed to Cameron Parish Louisiana as part of 8 person

Incident Management Team

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